Exports of meat, fruit and vegetables

3134. SHRI K. R. MALKANI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleas, ed to state the quantum, and the value of the exports of:

(i) meat (of various animals, beef or non-beef);

(ii) Fresh fruits;

(iii) Dry fruits;

(iv) Vegetables.

during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM); The quantity and value of export of meat, fresh fruits, dry fruits (sunn as cashew kernels, walnuts) and vegetables during the last threee years are as under:—

Qty. : In MTs
Value : Rs. in Lakhs

	1991-92		1992-93		1993-94	
	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value
1. Meat* . . .	164084	23988	99321	31881	116180	36154
2. Fresh fruits . .	75698	8265	30234	10097	78507	11226
3. Vegetables** . .	443162	23929	472502	28676	444911	31307
4. Dry friuts*** . .	70713	70802	58073	78839	76158	111218

(SOURCE : Agricultural & Processed Fosd Products Export Divelopmsnt Authority and DGCI & S, Calcutta).

*Export of beef is prohibited under the Exim Policy.

**Fresh onions, other fresh vegetable, dried and preserved , vegetables excluding processed vegetables.

***Cashew Kernels and Walnuts only.

Cooperation between India and Belgium

3135. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the new areas of Co-operation have been identified by India and Belgium;

(b) if so, what are those areas iden. lifted;

(c) the steps taken to establish better trade ties between the two countries; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (d) Some of the areas identified for bilateral co-operation in the Indo-Belgium Joint Commission meeting held in March, 1995 are Energy, Telecommunications, Agro-Industry, Engneering Electronic Goods, Cheminais and Automotive components. Emphasis was also laid on promotion of trade through holding of Joint Commission meetings, discussions at the official and ministerial level, participation in each other trade fairs end exhibitions as well as greater interaction between business communities on either aide.